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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NAVIGABILITY AND DRAINAGE DITCHES

FROM: Terry C. Anderson, Director

DATE: March 15, 2007

I am pleased to report that the Joint Legislative Council, at its March 14 meeting, *approved for introduction* in the Senate the following bill draft recommended by your committee:

• WLC: 0065/2, relating to appeals from the determination that a stream is navigable, mapping of navigable streams, the exemption for certain drainage ditches from certain permit requirements, and notices in forms for building permit applications and for offers to purchase real property regarding wetlands and navigable streams and requiring rule-making. The motion to introduce was adopted by a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 3; and Excused, 6.

The following proposal recommended by your committee failed to be approved for introduction by the Joint Legislative Council:

• WLC: 0091/1, relating to creating a presumption of reasonableness for drainage district board orders. The motion to introduce failed by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 6; and Excused, 6. [12 affirmative votes are needed for introduction.]

A copy of the bill and the Report to the Legislature will be sent to you at a later date. You will be notified of any hearings on the bill that may be scheduled by the standing committees to which the bill is referred.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rachel Letzing or David L. Lovell at this office.

Thank you for your participation in the development of this legislation.

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